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Sir:

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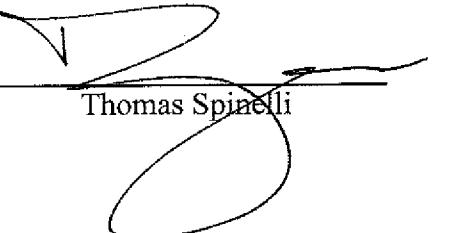
1. U.S. Patent No. 3,587,586 granted on June 28, 1971 to Kronenthal.

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